

# If You See a Turtle on a Fence Post...

Alex Haley, author of *Roots*, had a picture on his office wall of a turtle sitting on a fence post. He said the picture was there to remind him of an important lesson: If you see a turtle on a fence post, you know he had some help getting there.

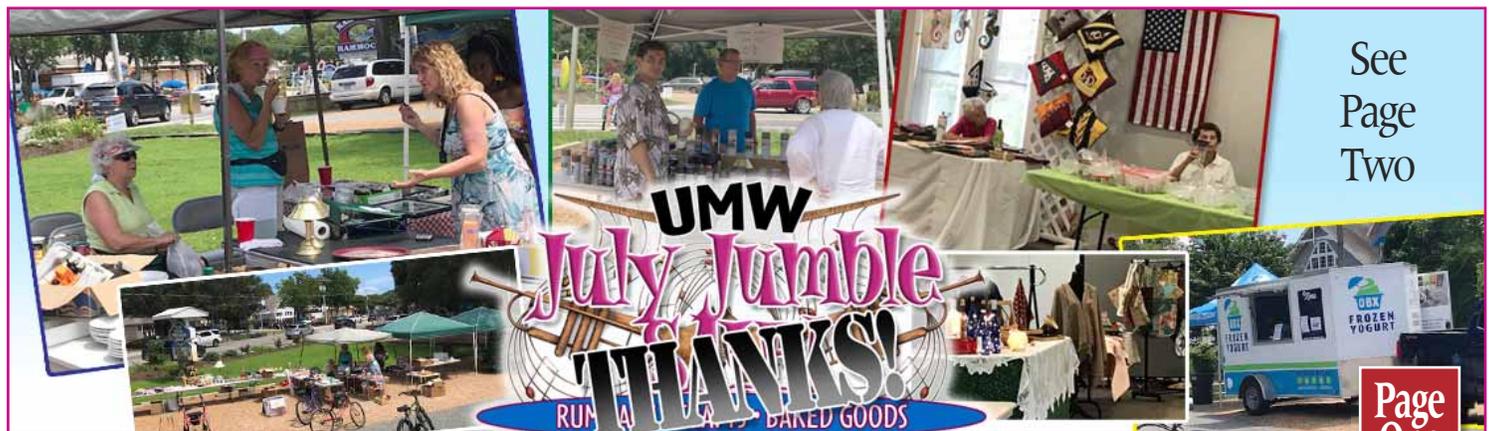
Haley said, "Every time I'm tempted to think, 'Aren't I marvelous? Look at all I've accomplished!' I look at that picture and remember how this turtle — me — got up on that post." This is a good time to take the time to say thank you to the ones — and, specifically, the One — who helped you make it to the top of the post.

Obviously, we begin by giving thanks to the Father for all that he has done. But let's not forget also to say thanks to those who play a part in bringing His goodness our way. Angie and I are so very grateful for each of you and the warm welcome we have received from this church. It has been a crazy time with Angie finishing up her job in Edenton (she has been coming down on Fridays after work and leaving to go back on Sunday afternoon). The parsonage has gotten a facelift and we are finally moved in. I have had several meetings with leaders in the church, and have been able to make a few visits with

folks. In all of this, I have felt at home from the very beginning. Whenever God calls you to a place, or to do something for Him, it always feels like home. So, thank you for being the wonderful church that you are. Know that we give thanks to God for each of you.

*I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now...*  
(Philippians 1:3-5)

Is there someone to whom you can say 'thank you' today?  
I am thankful for you all,  
Pastor Chris



# Ruthie's Kitchen

The mission of Ruthie's Kitchen is to feed the hungry. Thanks to sponsoring organizations, free dinners have been served on Tuesday evenings since October 2009.

Duck United Methodist Church provided and served a meal consisting of meatloaf, mashed potatoes, beans, hotdogs, slaw and cake to Ruthie's Kitchen on Tuesday, June 25th, 2019.

Everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship.

Thanks to our volunteers Allan and Amy Beres and Janet Pierce. Thanks also to Steve and Kristine with their Stack'Em High staff for preparing the food.

Ruthie's Kitchen is closed in July and August. Our next date will be in November. If you are interested in volunteering please contact me with any questions.

Sherman Pierce (seagull@charter.net or 252-261-2034)



## August BIRTHDAYS!

8/1- Ginger Jones	8/18- Brooke Naser
8/2 - Kathy Batenic	Rosalie Schwarz
Marie Shelton	8/20- Marianna Brook
Fran Thompson	8/21- Morag Nocher
8/4 - Debbie Breit	8/22- Carol Ann Dintiman
8/7 - Bonny Blanchard	8/23- Leslie Geiberger
Bonnie Hines	8/24- Joyce Rabat
8/12- Lynn Usher	8/27- Joe Wiegel
8/13- Kristine Kiousis	8/30- Meredith Guns
8/14- Alice Washington	8/31- Barbara Hedberg
8/16- Joan Van Zee	Janet Smith

*Happy Birthday to All Y'all!*

If your birthday is this month but not listed, please call the church office to be included next year.

### United Methodist MEN DUCK MEN'S MINISTRY

## Successful BBQ Fundraiser!

Thank you all for making the annual Duck United Methodist Men's BBQ Fundraiser a great success! Steve Kiousis and his usual team of servants delivered on the promise to provide great barbeque and sides to the generous people of Duck Church and the community around us. The food was great, the fellowship and teamwork were first class, and the youth are the grateful beneficiaries. The outcome was \$2,000 added to the Youth Scholarship Fund! Thanks to everyone who served, donated and ate for a great cause!

Men of Duck Church: don't lose sight of our summer assignment...DO SOMETHING for someone else that takes some effort or sacrifice on your part- something outside your normal area of service. Write down what you do like a story or journal entry, and be ready to share it with others on September 21st when we meet again for our monthly Saturday morning breakfast and fellowship. See you in September!



United Methodist Women  
FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

No UMW Meeting in August.



UMW July Jumble SALE  
RUMMAGE • CRAFTS • BAKED GOODS

**A BIG DUMC THANKS TO ALL!**

Thank you to everyone who supported the July Jumble. Our bakers, book, jumble and jewelry collectors, vendors and shoppers all contributed to the success of the day! A special appreciation to all of you who worked all day, especially outside. We made close to \$2,500! You made it all possible. See y'all in September.

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## Take The Time to Welcome Our Guests.

*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.*

Hebrews 13:2

### Name Tags...

Do you need a new or replacement name tag? Please contact the church office and allow us to order one for you.



**Duck United Methodist Church**  
**BLESSING**  
 OF THE  
**BACKPACKS**

Please join us at the 9:30 am Traditional and  
 11:00 am Contemporary Services  
 on August, 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

Don't forget to bring  
 your Backpacks!




**Welcome to the Newly Refurbished Hillcrest Parsonage.**

The parsonage was built by the church in 2002 and has housed our three previous ministers. It was time to refresh and refurbish! Chris and Angie graciously agreed to postpone moving in to allow us time to do what was needed. The house has been painted, carpeted, plumbing repaired, yard cleaned up, tile cleaned, new lighting, and furnished.

The Methodist discipline is very specific in stating the requirements for the parsonage in which the ordained minister appointed to a church lives. We have provided a beautiful home for the pastor and his family, fulfilled our obligation and improved the value of the property. All the improvements were completed in two weeks which is record time on the Outer Banks.

Many of our congregation contributed to the work involved and the trustees are very appreciative of your commitment of time, talents, and money's to complete this project.

In His service,  
 The Trustees



**It is Time to Begin Rehearsing Music for our Christmas Season!**

Our annual "Lessons and Carols" will be presented on Sunday, December 8th at the 8:00 am and 9:30 am services. We would love to have you join us as we begin learning the music for our special services, as well as our regular weekly services. If you enjoy singing and would like to join our choir, please come to our Thursday evening rehearsals from 6:30-8:00 pm.

No audition is needed.

For more detailed information, please call Cezette Barnes-Tyler at 252-619-1517.

**T • H • E**  
**LOUISE**  
**ALTHOUSE**  
**BOOK CLUB...**



will meet in the home of Janet Pierce on Monday, August 12th at 9:30 AM. Her address is 91 Duck Woods Drive, Southern Shores. They will be discussing Fannie Flagg's book "I Still Dream About You."

Guests are Always Welcome.





Some of our rising student leaders received training and inspiration at the FCA Leadership Camp in July.

# 20 Practical Things Pastors and Churches Can Do to Make Families and Children with Disabilities Feel Welcome

1. Greet them – be welcoming; act as if you are truly happy to see the child and call him/her by name.
2. Include the child in church activities.
3. Do not judge the child for his/her behavior when the behavior is the result of the disability.
4. Pray for the family.
5. Do not be afraid to interact with the child, even if the child is non-verbal.
6. Do observe the personal space of a child, especially a child with autism (i.e. some autistic children do not like to be hugged or touched – talk to the parents first)
7. Do talk to the parents about their child and ask what you can do to help.
8. It is NOT helpful to talk to parents by telling them that God chose them to have this child because they were such strong people! It is better to say, “I do not understand why your child was born with this disability, but I do know that God will give you the strength and wisdom that you need as parents to raise him/her. We, as your church family, are here for you. We are praying for you. Please lean on us and tell us how we can help.”
9. A simple, “How is your child doing?” can go a long way to helping parents feel that you really care.
10. Never say to a parent, “It could be worse,” when discussing their child being born with disabilities!
11. Have an annual Disability Awareness Sunday.
12. Have training for staff and volunteers.
13. Pastors are to receive training in disability awareness per the Book of Discipline.
14. If there are other children in the family, give them extra attention.
15. Remove barriers that make worship difficult for the child with disabilities.
16. Talk to the parents about the needs of the child so that everyone at the church who works with the child knows how best to teach the child or what to do in case of an emergency.
17. If needed, find a responsible older youth to be a “buddy” for the child with disabilities.
18. Educate the children in the church about different disabilities.
19. If the disability is severe and the family has to miss church for an extended period of time, offer respite care (baby-sit, offer to cook a meal, etc.)
20. Complete an annual Accessibility Audit as required by the Book of Discipline.

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## Attention All Seniors:

The Silver Link Lunch will NOT be held in August due to the summer traffic congestion. The luncheons will resume again on Wednesday, September 18th at 11:30. Mark your calendars now as Pastor Chris Aydlett will be our speaker. You won't want to miss this special gathering!



## Notes from the Missions/Serve Committee:

As I thought about a short message for this month's Duck Call, I received some inspiration from a podcast I started listening to from Life Church with Craig Groeschel in a series called "Chasing Carrots" and the first one is about seeking fame. We're seeing this become a problem on social media seeking "likes" on FaceBook or trying to be a YouTube star or "influencer" (whatever that is!). This desire for approval or "likes" stems from past hurts or emotional pain that hasn't been resolved. People are striving for approval and fame in an unhealthy way. Now I don't pretend to know what heaven will be like but I'm pretty sure Jesus won't greet you with a statement like this: "Well done good and faithful YouTube star!"

At our last United Methodist Men's breakfast, we watched a video featuring Navy Seals talking about serving others. John Park has been leading the discussion of this video series and we were given a challenge - do something for someone else and change your routine.

So, if you normally work at the Food Pantry, change your routine and do something different -maybe help out with Silver Links for example. Or contact Sherman Pierce and say you'd like to help with Ruthie's kitchen. There are many ways to serve your neighbors in quiet an respectful ways. Remember - It's not about you so get over yourself.

If you're looking for applause, join the circus.

Jim Cotter

Serve Committee Chair



## Please join us for a Church Wide Combined Traditional Worship Service

**September 29th**

**at 11:00 am**

and a

**Pot Luck Lunch**

after in the

**Fellowship Hall around 12:15 am**

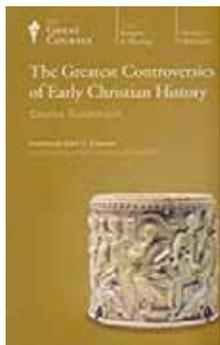
The Church will provide  
fried chicken and drinks.

Please bring your favorite  
side dish to share!

For additional information please  
call Debbie Breit at  
**252-202-1042**



## B O O K R E V I E W



### Bart D. Ehrman, *The Greatest Controversies of Early Christian History*

(The Great Courses, 2013), 12 audio CDs, twenty-four  
30-minute lectures and Course Guidebook.

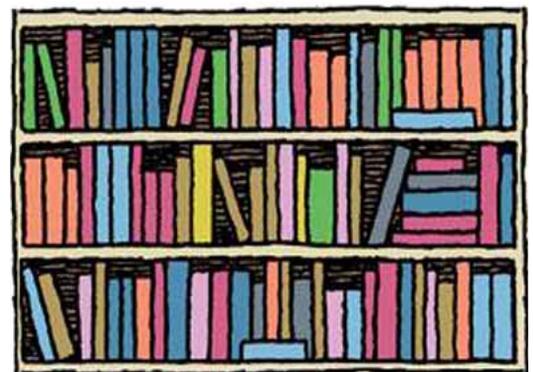
(Note: In addition to books, the DUMC Library has an audio CD  
collection of courses from The Great Courses and The Teaching

Company on topic relevant to religion and theology. The sets include 12-24 lectures  
and annotated course guidebooks.)

There's a lot in our understanding of early Christian history that we can define as  
"common knowledge" that is, stuff that we've learned through scripture, tradition and  
education and now simply accept as true. Bart Ehrman, a distinguished professor at  
UNC, pushes us beyond by exploring some of the controversies that biblical scholars  
continue to debate. Was Jesus really born in Bethlehem? Did the Jews kill Jesus?  
Did the disciples really write the Gospels? Who chose the books of the New Testament?  
Set aside "common knowledge" and listen to fascinating lectures on twenty-four of  
early Christianity's enduring controversies..

Reviewed by Doug Brook

Book and CDs are available in the DUMC library.



## DUMC Library is Open for Business!

A good book is a great way to  
broaden your spirituality.

Check One Out...  
the DUMC Library!

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# August 2019

A Season of Renewal...in Christ.

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
 Traditional Sunday Worship Services - 8 & 9:30 AM  
 Contemporary Sunday Worship Service - 11AM  
 Sunday School - 9:15 & 9:30 AM

**EVERY FRIDAY**  
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 7:00 PM

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4 Youth Group - 6 PM	5 <b>EVERY MONDAY</b> Prayer Ministry 1:30 PM	6	7 Serve Committee Meeting 9:00 AM Trustees Meeting 7:00 PM	8 <b>EVERY THURSDAY</b> Choir Practice 6:30 PM	9	10	
11 Youth Group - 6 PM	12 The Louise Althouse Book Club - 9:30 AM	13 Duck Call Deadline	14 <b>YOUTH FRENCH FRY TOUR!</b> 1-5pm	15	16	17	
18 Youth Group - 6 PM	19	20	21 <b>EVERY WEDNESDAY</b> Grief Share Group 1:00 PM	22 UMW Board Meeting - 9:30 AM	23	24	
25 No Youth Group	26	27	28	29	30	31 Bayberry Bluff HOA meeting 9:00AM	



## Mark Your Calendars!

September 29th.... 11 AM - Church Wide Combined Traditional Worship Service and Pot Luck Lunch beginning at 12:15 AM  
 Fried Chicken and Your Best Pot Luck Covered Dishes... **Don't Miss it!**



# DUCK UMC YOUTH

**CHECK OUT  
WHAT'S GOING ON  
AT YOUTH GROUP  
THIS MONTH:**

*"I PRAY THAT GOD, THE SOURCE OF HOPE, WILL FILL YOU COMPLETELY WITH JOY AND PEACE BECAUSE YOU TRUST IN HIM. THEN YOU WILL OVERFLOW WITH CONFIDENT HOPE THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT."* (ROMANS 15:13)

**GOD IS THE SOURCE OF ALL OUR HOPE!** AS THE SUMMER COMES TO A CLOSE, WE'LL EXPLORE THE PROMISES OF GOD, HOW WE CAN HAVE HOPE IN DIFFICULTIES, AND OUR ULTIMATE HOPE OF A FUTURE IN HEAVEN.



- JULY 28TH ..... HOPE IN GOD'S PROMISES**
- AUGUST 4TH ..... HOPE IN HARD TIMES**
- AUGUST 11TH ..... HOPE OF HEAVEN**
- AUGUST 18TH ..... TOP SECRET MISSION**
- NO YOUTH GROUP AUGUST 25TH OR SEPTEMBER 1ST**



**OBX FRENCH FRY TOUR! WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14TH + 1-5 PM**  
 HELP US CROWN THE BEST FRENCH FRIES ON THE BEACH! WE'LL JOURNEY UP & DOWN THE BEACH TESTING OUT SOME OF OUR FAVORITE LOCAL RESTAURANTS' FRIES. BRING \$5 AND A HEALTHY APPETITE TO HELP CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAUSE. WE'LL MEET AT 1 PM AT THE MARKETPLACE AND FINISH UP AROUND 5 PM.

**AUGUST 19TH - TOP SECRET MISSION  
5-8ISH PM (CUE SPY THEME MUSIC)**

THIS IS YOUR MISSION, IF YOU CHOOSE TO ACCEPT IT:  
 REPORT TO THE MARKETPLACE AT 5 PM. FROM THERE YOU  
 WILL RECEIVE FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.



DUCK UMC YOUTH MADE OUR ANNUAL TRIP TO KINGSFEST IN JUNE, ENJOYING 3 DAYS OF ROLLER COASTERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERTS!



**SUMMER YOUTH GROUP, 6-8 PM**

IN THE SUMMER OUR YOUTH GROUP TIME SWITCHES TO HELP AVOID TRAFFIC ON DUCK RD.  
 THE BUS SCHEDULE WILL BE:



<p><b>LOWES IN KILL DEVIL HILLS</b></p>	<p><b>MARKETPLACE BY MATTRESS STORE</b></p>	<p><b>Page Seven</b></p>
<p>PICK UP 5:30 PM + DROP OFF 8:30 PM</p>	<p>PICK UP 5:45 PM + DROP OFF 8:15 PM</p>	



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### Prayer Requests

Please call the church office if you do not have e-mail and would like to receive notices of prayer requests.

To Communicate ~

Call us at 252-261-1525

Monday through Thursday or

Email anytime at:

office@duckchurch.org

Office Hours: **OPEN**  
Monday through Thursday – 9:00 to 5:00 PM

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***The deadline for the September Duck Call is Tuesday, August 13th. Thanks.***



The Board of Directors and I would like to thank you for supporting "Food for Thought Feed the Hungry Children" in our community. This year, with your help, 11,000 bags were packed and delivered to 14 schools each Thursday. This was accomplished with your support. May you all be blessed by God with the same warmth you have given. Thank you so much,

Kim Gussis



The United Methodist Women would like to thank everyone for a successful July Jumble. Thank you for coming out to shop! Your generous donations of baked goods, jewelry, books and jumble items were exceptional! We appreciate everything that everyone did to make this a special day.

## The Eastern Carolina Concert Society

The Eastern Carolina Concert Society is inviting all singers to participate in the Hymn Festival on August 23rd-25th. It will be led by guest conductor, Billye Brown-Youmans. The rehearsal schedule is available to those who are interested. The concert will also feature the Virginia Symphony Brass and Timpani/Percussion. For information contact Mary Sowder at 804-901-6841 or Jason Evans by email at cepianoman@aol.com.

## Check Out DUMC on the World Wide Web

Visited our web site lately? Go to: [www.duckchurch.org](http://www.duckchurch.org)  
You will find the Pastor's sermons, opportunities to serve, Mission activities, ministry for our children, youth and adults, the latest newsletter, and you can even donate on line.

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